SSIs on Japanese Pattern

5009. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any step to promote small scale industries in the entire country on the Japanese pattern;

(b) if so, the details of proposals formulated by Government in this regard;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Steps to promote & strengthen the Small Scale Industries in the entire country are taken in accordance with the felt needs of the Nation. Small Scale Sector in India has emerged as one of the vibrant & dynamic sectors of the economy and its growth has been the outcome of our own model of development.

Items reserved in SSI Sector

†5010. DR. D. MASTHAN: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the import restrictions, so far, imposed have been withdrawn on 58 items reserved for production in the small scale industrial sector under the New Exim Policy announced recently in the country;

(b) if so, the names of such items;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the small scale industry will be facing crisis with this encouragement to import; and

(d) if not, the reaction of Government in this regard and the average annual value of production of the said items at present in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SC\LE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES

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